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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6475**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1511

**NOTE PREPARED:** Feb 25, 2009

**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 19, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Joint Legal Custody in Paternity Determinations.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Rep. GiaQuinta

**FIRST SPONSOR:** Sen. Bray

**BILL STATUS:** As Passed House

**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                              **DEDICATED**  
                              **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** No Fiscal Impact

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill allows a court to award joint legal custody of a child following a determination of paternity. It provides that an award of joint legal custody does not require an equal division of physical custody of the child. The bill establishes factors for the court to consider in determining whether to grant joint legal custody.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2009.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:**

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:**

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